

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-49. (Cancelled).

50. (Currently Amended) A method in a User Equipment (UE) for initiating a data transfer from the UE in a Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) terrestrial radio access network (UTRAN), wherein the UTRAN comprises at least one Radio Network Controller (RNC) connectable to the UE that is capable of being in the states UTRAN Registration Area Paging Channel (URA PCH), Cell Paging Channel (CELL PCH) or Cell Dynamic Host Configuration (CELL DCH), said method comprising the steps of:

introducing delay reducing information in a data transfer initiating message by the UE;

transmitting the data transfer initiating message by the UE;

receiving a message from the RNC comprising information for transferring the UE from the URA PCH or the CELL PCH state directly to the CELL DCH state by means of the delay reducing information in the data transfer initiating message;

wherein the data transfer initiating message is an uplink cell update message transmitted by a UE; and,

wherein the delay reducing information comprises information if the traffic volume of the data to be transmitted is above a pre-configured threshold.

51-52. (Cancelled).

53. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[52]] 50, wherein the delay reducing information further comprises information whether the data to be transmitted is available on a user bearer or on a signalling bearer.

54. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[51]] 50, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in an extension of the cell update message.

55. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 54, wherein the extension comprises at least one dedicated flag.

56. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[51]] 50, wherein the extension comprises currently reserved code points comprising spare values in the existing cell update message.

57. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim [[51]] 50, wherein the step of receiving a message from the RNC comprises the steps of:

receiving a cell update confirm message from the RNC; and,
transmitting a Radio Bearer configuration complete message to the RNC.

58-66. (Cancelled)

67. (Currently Amended) A User Equipment (UE) connectable to a Radio Network Controller (RNC) in a Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) network, wherein the UE is capable of being in the states UTRAN Registration Area Paging Channel (URA PCH), Cell Paging Channel (CELL PCH), Cell Forward Access Channel (CELL FACH) or Cell Dynamic Host Configuration (CELL DCH), comprising:

means for handling a data transfer initiating message, comprising:

means for introducing delay reducing information in a data transfer initiating message;

a transmitter for transmitting the data transfer initiating message; and,

a receiver for receiving a message from the RNC comprising information for transferring the UE from the URA PCH or the CELL PCH state directly to the CELL DCH state by means of the delay reducing information in the data transfer initiating message;

wherein the data transfer initiating message is an uplink cell update message transmitted by a UE; and,

wherein the data transfer initiating message is an uplink cell update message transmitted by a UE.

68-69. (Cancelled).

70. (Currently Amended) The UE according to claim [[69]] 67, wherein the delay reducing information further comprises information whether the data to be transmitted is available on a user bearer or on a signalling bearer.

71. (Currently Amended) The UE according to claim [[68]] 67, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in an extension of the cell update message.

72. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 71, wherein the extension comprises at least one dedicated flag.

73. (Currently Amended) The UE according to claim [[68]] 67, wherein the extension comprises currently reserved code points comprising spare values in the existing cell update message.

74. (Currently Amended) The UE according to claim [[68]] 67, wherein the receiver for receiving a message from the RNC further comprises means for receiving a cell update confirm message from the RNC, and means for transmitting a Radio Bearer configuration complete message to the RNC.

75. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 67, wherein the data transfer initiating message is a downlink paging message transmitted by the RNC.

76. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 67, wherein the delay reducing information comprises any of the information parameters: physical and transport channel configuration parameters, code allocation and radio bearer configuration, and the identity parameter U-RNTI.

77. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 76, wherein the delay reducing information further comprises at least an uplink Dedicated Physical CHannel (DPCH) related information, downlink DPCH related information, downlink radio link related information, power control configurations or potential high speed downlink shared channel (HS-DSCH) configurations.

78. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 75, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in an extension of the paging message.

79. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 78, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in the extension explicitly.

80. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 78, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in the extension by means of a pointer to a previously transmitted downlink message, wherein the previously transmitted downlink message comprises the delay reducing information.

81. (Previously Presented) The UE according to claim 75, wherein the transmitter comprises means for transmitting a Radio Bearer re-configuration complete message from the UE.

82. (Cancelled).

83. (Currently Amended) A Radio Network Controller (RNC) connectable to a Universal Mobile Telecommunications System (UMTS) network and to a plurality of

User Equipments (UEs), wherein the UEs are capable of being in the states UTRAN Registration Area Paging Channel (URA PCH), Cell Paging Channel (CELL PCH), Cell Forward Access Channel (CELL FACH) or Cell Dynamic Host Configuration (CELL DCH), comprising:

means for handling a data transfer initiating message, comprising:

means for introducing a delay reducing information in the data transfer initiating and means for transferring the UE from the URA PCH or the CELL PCH state directly to the CELL DCH state by means of the delay reducing information in the data transfer initiating message;

wherein the data transfer initiating message is an uplink cell update message transmitted by a UE; and,

wherein the data transfer initiating message is an uplink cell update message transmitted by a UE.

84-85. (Cancelled).

86. (Currently Amended) The RNC according to claim [[85]] 83, wherein the delay reducing information further comprises information whether the data to be transmitted is available on a user bearer or on a signalling bearer.

87. (Currently Amended) The RNC according to claim [[84]] 83, wherein the delay reducing information is indicated in an extension of the cell update message.

88. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 87, wherein the extension comprises at least one dedicated flag.

89. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 87, wherein the extension comprises currently reserved code points, i. e. spare values in the existing cell update message.

90. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 83, wherein the RNC comprises means for transmitting a cell update confirm message to the UE, and receiving a Radio Bearer configuration complete message from the UE.

91. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 83, wherein the data transfer initiating message is a downlink paging message transmitted by the RNC.

92. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 83, wherein the delay reducing information comprises any of the information parameters: physical and transport channel configuration parameters, code allocation and radio bearer configuration, and the identity parameter U-RNTI.

93. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 92, wherein the delay reducing information further comprises at least an uplink Dedicated Physical Channel (DPCH) related information, downlink DPCH related information, downlink radio link related information, power control configurations or potential High speed downlink shared channel (HS- DSCH) configurations.

94. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to any of claims 83, further comprising means for indicating the delay reducing information in an extension of the paging message.

95. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 94, further comprising means for indicating the delay reducing information in the extension explicitly.

96. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 91, further comprising means for indicating the delay reducing information in the extension by means of a pointer to a previously transmitted downlink message, wherein the previously transmitted downlink message comprises the delay reducing information.

97. (Previously Presented) The RNC according to claim 91, further comprising means for receiving a Radio Bearer re-configuration complete message from the UE.

98. (Cancelled).

* * *